## THE TOWN NEWSLETTER

### LAH COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT

#### FREE BRUSH CHIPPING PROGRAM

he Los Altos Hills County Fire Distinct is offering residents a free service of chipping and disposal of brush and prunings.

Each area of the Town will be systematically notified of the service by a letter containing a postcard to return informing the contractor of your request to have the service.

Here is how it works: During the spring and early summer the District's contractor will be in your neighborhood available to chip brush and tree prunings that you have cut and stacked on your property. Chips will be left with you or the contractor will take them. If you want the free service, you will need to plan to do your pruning and make an appointment with the contractor.



Since 1997, this program was offered only to homes West of Highway 280 in high fire hazard areas and was regarded as very successful.

This year it has been extended to cover all of Los Altos Hills. The Fire District encourages you to take advantage of this free assistance to make your home more defensible against a wildland fire.

- All flammable vegetation should be cleared a minimum of 30 feet around structures.
  - Tree limbs should be cut within 10 feet of chimneys.
- Trees that are 18 feet or taller should be limbed 6 feet above the ground.

The Fire District contractor is S. P. McClenahan Co. They will perform the service during the spring and early summer. Remember: The postcard must be returned to the S.P. McClenahan Co. for this service to be scheduled. The contractor will call to schedule an appointment with you for the brush chipping service.

The LAH County Fire District services are provided by the Santa Clara County Fire Department.

#### **PARKS & RECREATION**

## Recycle Plastic Bottles -Needed for Crafts

Parks & Rec needs 1 Gallon plastic milk or juice bottles for craft projects. As part of their recycle crafts projects the plastic bottles can be used to make bird feeders.



You may drop them off at Town Hall anytime during working hours or contact Jimmy Forbis at 650/941-7222 x241.

## LOS ALTOS HILLS PATHWAYS RUN 2005

n May 7th, about 250 runners came out for 4th annual 5K/10K and 1 mile fun on hilly, and challenging

pathways routes in Los Altos Hills. 25 run-away-brides wearing white veils participated in a popular Run-Away-Bride category where the first bride to cross the finish line won a special award, which was not a bus ticket to Las Vegas.

Many enjoyed the scenic, but muddy trail course through Byrne Preserve near Westwind Barn LAH council members, Brownie Troop 597, and the Los Altos High School Track team.



Planning Commissioner Ray Collins prepares to run in the race.

Each year the event grows in participants and costume themes like this year's run-away-bride competition that raises funds for Los Altos Hills Parks and Recreation programs.

# LOCAL RESIDENTS RECEIVE GARDNER AWARD

Three LAH community leaders received the Los Altos Community Foundation (LACF) sponsored John W. Gardner Award on April 5th. Additionally, eight Los Altos community leaders also received the award. The LAH Recipients were: Dan Alexander, Westwind b Barn; Elizabeth Duveneck Dana, Friends of Hidden Villa; and Elayne Dauber, Los Altos Library Volunteers. To honor Dr. Gardner's legacy, the LACF created this award for recipients who are selected by nonprofits servicing our community in two of the four areas distinguishing Dr. Gardner's career - pubic service, education, government and arts and letters. Congratulations to all of the outstanding civic leaders.

## **Town Newsletter - Statement of Purpose**

To communicate current issues, services, and activities in Los Altos Hills to the residents of the Town and to facilitate, encourage and improve interaction between the residents and Town government. The 2005 Newsletter will be published quarterly in the months of March, June, September, and December. Deadline for the next issue is July 31, 2005.

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